WHEREAS, Unseasonable wet/heavy snows, rains and high winds in South Dakota, on March 29, and 30, 1977, jeopardized the lives of many residents; and,

WHEREAS, This condition caused extensive damage to public and private property; and,

WHEREAS, The preliminary reports indicated that it is beyond local control; and,

WHEREAS, The resources of State Government will be needed to support Local Government in the affected area:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICHARD F. KNEIP, Governor of the State of South Dakota, under the provisions of SDCL 33-15-8, otherwise known as the Civil Defense Law, do hereby declare a state of emergency to exist in the stricken area and authorize such functions of State Government as necessary to effect relief and restoration.

IT IS FURTHER DECLARED that the resources available to State Government will be utilized under the coordination of the State Division of Civil Defense, Department of Military and Veterans Affairs, in support of Local Government efforts in the protection of lives and property in the affected areas.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this 30th day of March, in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Seventy-Seven

/s/ Richard F. Kneip
RICHARD F. KNEIP, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

/s/ [illegible]
[illegible] SECRETARY OF STATE

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